ELDORADO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC. 2024 NOMINATION PETITION FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM EXPIRING May 3, 2027

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS

To be a candidate for election to the ECIA Board, the ECIA Bylaws require the candidate to meet all the following criteria:
 be a Lot Owner of record who resides full-time in Eldorado; and have their 2024 assessments paid in full and have been received and credited to the Association's financial account as of March 1, 2024 (Candidate responsible for confirming assessments have been properly credited); and be a member in good standing (rights and privileges not suspended).
SUBMITTING PETITIONS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS
The proposed Candidate must file a complete package at the ECIA Office as defined below, no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2024. The Petition shall not be mailed or placed in a drop box but must be hand delivered to the ECIA General Manager or designee.
A complete package must contain:
 Petition with at least 25 valid signatures as defined below (Obtaining Signatures); Signature of the proposed Candidate at the bottom of the last page of the Nomination Petition. No Petition will be accepted unless signed by the proposed Candidate; and Recent photograph of the proposed Candidate; and Statement with Candidate's biographical information and "goals for the community", not to exceed 400 words.
Note: Only the photograph, biographical information and goals for the community may be provided electronically to the General Manager (see website contact information).

OBTAINING SIGNATURES

The proposed Candidate must submit a Nomination Petition to the ECIA Office with **at least twenty-five (25) valid** signatures. To be valid, a signature must be of a Lot Owner whose:

- 2023 assessment(s) are paid in full and have been received and credited to the Association's financial account as of the date the lot owner signs the Petition, and whose
- rights and privileges are not suspended as of the date of signature.

It is highly recommended more than 25 signatures be obtained in case some signatures are not valid. **The Petition will be rejected if it lacks 25 valid signatures.**

Signatures may be obtained in two ways:

- (1) Lot owners may sign the Nomination Petition in person; or
- (2) Lot owners may send their support via an email to the proposed Candidate. The email must contain: Name, Eldorado mailing address, Date and a Statement of Support. An example of a Statement of Support is:

"I, Jane Doe, support the candidacy of Karen Smithy for the 2024 ECIA Board of Directors election."

If an email is submitted in lieu of physical signature, each individual supporting email must be printed and attached to the Nomination Petition (there may be multiple sheets).

Note: Only one signature per Lot will be counted in determining whether the valid signature requirement is met. A Lot Owner may sign the Petition of more than one proposed Candidate. Owners of multiple Lots may sign a Petition equal to the number of lots they own.

VALIDATION OF NOMINATION PETITIONS

Nomination Petitions are reviewed by two members of the Election Committee at 5:00 pm on March 1. Petitions are reviewed per the ECIA Election Procedures and then securely stored in the General Manager's office.

The ECIA General Manager or designee will determine whether proposed Candidate(s) meet the Bylaws and Election Procedures requirements and if the Petition contains the required number of valid signatures.

Validation of signatures on Nomination Petitions will begin at 9:00 a.m. on March 4, 2024, at the Eldorado Community Center Office. Due to limited space, proposed Candidate(s) who would like to be present must inform the ECIA General Manger no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2024. The Election Committee Chairperson or designee will notify proposed Candidate(s) of the determination.

Failure to follow the above instructions when completing and filing the Nomination Petition will result in the Petition being deemed invalid. Proposed Candidate(s) should call the General Manager if there are questions about the Petition.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Signage: Campaign signs may not be larger than 2 feet by 3 feet and may not be installed or posted earlier than March 11, 2024. A candidate cannot place campaign signs on any of The Common Properties of Eldorado. A candidate may place only one (1) sign on each Lot Candidate owns and one (1) sign on any other Lot only with the permission of that Lot Owner. Campaign signs must be removed no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 6, 2024.

Note: Section 18.20.5.15 of the New Mexico Administrative Code prohibits political posters on highway right-of-ways and it is the policy of the Santa Fe County Public Works Department to remove signs from county right-of-ways.

Campaign Literature: A candidate may disseminate campaign literature door-to-door, via the U.S. Postal Service, and if available, by use of the white tube attached to the mailbox post; however, no literature is to be disseminated in any manner that will litter Eldorado.

Candidate Forums: Candidate Forums are tentatively scheduled for March 20, 2024 and for April 11, 2024.

Candidate(s) are not required to attend either of the ECIA Candidate(s) Forums but are strongly encouraged to do so.

BALLOT COUNTING:

Ballot counting will be held May 3, 2024, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the ECIA Conference Room or alternative location as circumstances warrant. Candidates will receive an invitation for themselves or a designee to observe the counting process. The candidate or designee must read and sign the Observers Rules document and return same to the ECIA General Manager no later than 5 p.m. on April 29, 2024.

POST ELECTION REQUIREMENT:

Candidates successfully elected to the ECIA Board of Directors are required to sign the Agreement to Serve document as required by the ECIA Bylaws.

Eldorado Community Improvement Association, Inc.

AN ILLEGIBLY PRINTED NAME AND ADDRESS WILL INVALIDATE THE SIGNATURE

(Each signer's 2023 assessments must be paid in full and have been received and credited to the Associations financial account, and rights and privileges not suspended, as of the signature date.)

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Nomination Petition for _____

NOTE: Nomination Petitions for the Board, with a minimum of 25 valid signatures, must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2024.